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FOLLOWING REPEAT NICOSIA 2305 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO
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QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 2305

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: NIMETZ VISIT TO CYPRUS: FINAL CONVERSATION WITH
PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU

1. COUNSELOR NIMETZ TELEPHONED CYPRUS PRESIDENT KYPRIOANOU
MORNING SEPTEMBER 7 TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR HIS ROUND
OF CONSTRUCTIVE TALKS WITH KYPRIANOU, MICHAELIDES, AND
ROLANDIS. NIMETZ SAID HE HAD NOTED THAT GREEK CYPRIOT
PRESS SEPTEMBER 7 HAD EXPRESSED PUZZLEMENT AS TO WHY NIMETZ
HAD COME TO CYPRUS BUT HAD ALSO EMPHASIZED THAT HE HAD
NEITHER BROUGHT AMERICAN PLAN NOR COME TO EXERT PRESSURE.
NIMETZ STATED TO PRESIDENT KYPRIOANOU THAT ON THE WHOLE,
THIS SENSE OF ENIGMA WAS PREFERABLE TO ALTERNATIVES SUCH
AS BELIEF IN OVERT U.S. PRESSURE. KYPRIANOU AGREED.

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2. NIMETZ TOLD KYPRIANOU THAT ON HIS RETURN TO WASHINGTON
HE WOULD CONSULT ON HOW U.S. MIGHT HELP MOVE THE PROCESS
ALONG, ALTHOUGH CLEARLY ANYTHING PUBLIC WOULD NOT BE HELPFUL AT
THIIS STAGE. WE HAD HEARD SOME IDEAS WHICH WE WOULD WANT TO
REFLECT ON FURTHER. NIMETZ NOTED THAT KYPRIANOU WOULD
BE TRAVELLING TO BRUSSELS AND NEW YORK FOR THE UNGA ON
SEPTEMBER 25 AND THAT WE LOOKED FORWARD TO FURTHER

CONTACT AT THAT TIME.

3. NIMETZ NOTED THAT HIS TALKS HAD ALSO BEEN
CONSTRUCTIVE ON THE TURKISH SIDE AND THAT DENKTASH
EXPRESSED SOME INDICATIONS OF FLEXIBILITY.

4. KYPRIANOU SAID HE APPRECIATED THE CONVERSATIONS HE
HAD WITH NIMETZ. HE THOUGHT THE GOC POSITION WAS QUITE
CLEAR. NIMETZ SAID HE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD KYPRIANOU'S
POSITION.
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